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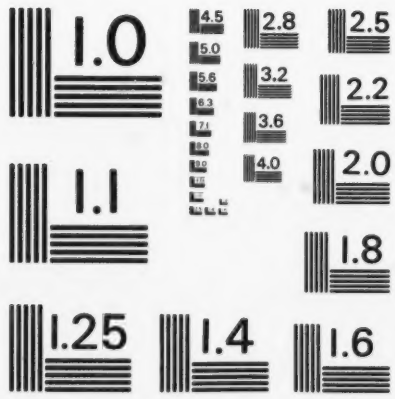

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ABSTRACT

The primary objective of the report is to describe and clarify those departmental projects which help Indians and Metis move into the economic mainstream of Canadian life. More specifically, it examines programs used by Indians and Metis which are carried out in Western, Central, and Eastern Canada, under the Agricultural and Rural Development Act (ARDA); Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA); Newstart; Fund for Rural Economic Development (FRED); and Operation of the Rural Development Incentives Act (ORDIA). Information is provided on project's type (agriculture, recreation, tourism, fisheries, counseling, placement, occupational training, adult education, social adjustment, etc.); resource under development (natural, human, crafts and arts, and infrastructure); project item (land clearing, pasture expansion, operation and management, building roads, irrigation, feasibility studies, guiding, on the job training, demographic studies, etc.); province; Indian Band or Metis; departmental contribution; project number; and completion date. (PT)

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I N T R O D U C T O R Y R E M A R K S

The Department of Regional Economic Expansion has as its primary goal the reduction of regional economic disparities in Canada. In some of the slow-growth regions of Canada, (the mid-northern Prairie Provinces) most of the people concerned are of native origin. In those cases, almost all of the programs that apply in such regions will affect Indians and Métis. In other regions (the Atlantic Provinces), the main thrust of the Department's efforts does not concern Indians and Métis, but nevertheless individual projects are directed to the needs of Indian peoples, as part of a total effort. This report outlines the extent to which Departmental projects apply to Indian and Métis people by region: I) Western II) Central III) Eastern. Within these regions, projects have been classified by program (ARDA, PFRA, FRED, NewStart) and under the following main headings:

Natural Resource Development
Human Resource Development
Development of Crafts and The Arts
Infrastructure Development.

The primary objective of the report is to describe and classify those Departmental projects which help Indians and Métis move into the economic mainstream of Canadian life. More specifically, it examines programs utilized by Indians and Métis which are carried out under: the Agricultural and Rural Development Act (ARDA); Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA); NewStart; Fund for Rural Economic Development (FRED); Operation of the Regional Development Incentives Act (ORDIA). The presentation of these data are

chiefly in tabular form and makes up the bulk of the report. The tables contain projects initiated before and up to 1970.

A few notes of caution are in order. Some projects are classified in more than one category. An asterisk (*) appearing under the table column 'Departmental Contribution' indicates that this has happened. Some of the cells of the tables are left blank because data are missing.

Since 75 percent of all Indian people live in western Canada the bulk of the projects of interest to Indians and Métis naturally fall in the western region. This is reflected in the tables.

I W E S T E R N R E G I O N

Departmental programs in the western region include: ARDA; PFRA; NewStart; FRED. Projects under these programs of interest to Indians and Métis can be broadly grouped into a) Natural Resource Development b) Human Resource Development c) Development of Crafts and The Arts.

A PROJECTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM

a) Natural Resource Development

Table 1 supplies the following information about natural resource development projects under the ARDA program:

1. Natural resource development projects can be broadly classified into three types: agricultural projects; recreation and tourism; and fisheries projects.

2. Agricultural projects are: feasibility studies (3 projects); clearing of land (1); establishment of viable farms (1); irrigation (1); and pasture expansion (17).

3. Three ARDA agricultural feasibility studies have taken place in Saskatchewan, and these are: growing and marketing of wild rice; natural resource base development on Indian reserves in Saskatchewan.

TABLE 1 NATURAL RESOURCE PROJECTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY TYPE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE

Type	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept. Contrib up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
Agriculture	Feasibility Studies					
	natural resource base, Sask.River Delta	Sask.	I, M & O	10,000	8122	1967
	growing and marketing wild rice	Sask.	I, M & O	35,240	27004	1970
	agriculture on Indian Reserves	Sask.	I, M & O	20,000	37003	1967
	Establishment of Viable Farms	Sask.	List on file	801,500	37013	1972
	Clearing of Land	Alta.	Saddle Lake	520,000	38002	1971
	Irrigation	B. C.	Kamloops	200,000	39005	1972
	Pasture Expansion					
	pasture expansion	Sask.	Sioux-Wahpaton	68,250	37022	1975
	pasture and fodder	Sask.	I	810,700	37024	1972
	pasture expansion	Sask.	Beardy's	156,200	37002	1971
		Sask.	Muskoday	119,600	37005	1971
		Sask.	Pelican Lake	25,100	37014	1972
		Sask.	Wood Mountain	5,000	37016	1971
		Sask.	Little Black Bear	27,900	37011	1971
		Alta.	Seven Persons	33,780	28049	1971
		Alta.	Beaver Lake	24,150	38003	1972
	co-operative	Alta.	Blackfoot	20,000	38006	1971
		Alta.	Blood	30,000	38007	1971
	Kehiwan Land Development Association	Alta.	Kehiwin	47,000	38011	1971
	pasture expansion	Alta.	Saddle Lake	83,000	38012	1973
		Alta.	Key River Métis	49,846	28055	1971
	pasture fodder, cereals	Alta.	Fishing Lake Métis	45,250	28085	1973
	pasture expansion	Alta.	Blackfoot	11,250	38014	1971
Recreation and Tourism	Feasibility Studies					
	resource development on Reserve	Alta.	Sarcee	79,000	38013	1970
	plan for Reserve development	Alta.	Morley	58,700	38001	1971
	natural resource base, Sask.River Delta	Sask.	I, M & O	1,250	27042	1968
	plan for Round and Crooked Lakes (Last Oak Park)	Sask.	I & M	47,125	37006	1969
	plan for Reserve development	Sask.	White Bear	21,500	37007	1969
	Development of Tourist Facilities					
	'Ksan Village (campgrounds,museum, handicraft sales,etc.)	B. C.	'Ksan	252,500	39002	1972
	Cumberland House native outfitting and guiding development	Sask.	I & M	43,000	27089	1972
	native tourist and outfitting associations	Sask.	I & M	50,000	27098	1972
	Round and Crooked Lakes (Last Oak Park)	Sask.	I & M		37012	1969
Fisheries	Feasibility Studies					
	gillnet fishery	B. C.	I, M & O	9,000	39003	1970
	survey of lakes in Rural Development Area	Sask.	I, M & O	267,549	27088	1972

4. Nine recreation and tourism projects have taken place in the western region. One of these is 'Ksan Village in B.C. which is developing tourist facilities by establishing camp grounds, a museum, and handicraft sales. Another project is Cumberland House in Saskatchewan, a hunting and fishing camp. Five of the projects are feasibility studies.

5. Two feasibility studies in fisheries development are being done in the western region: gillnet fishery in B. C.; and a survey of lakes in the Rural Development Area in Saskatchewan.

b) Human Resource Development

Table 2 supplies the following information about human resource development under the ARDA program in the western region:

1. Human resource development projects can be broadly classified into five main types: general socio-economic studies; occupational training; adult education projects; social adjustment; counselling.

2. Two socio-economic surveys exist for the purpose of determining the social, economic and demographic characteristics of

TABLE 7 HUMAN RESOURCE PROJECTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY TYPE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE

Type	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept. Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
General Socio-Economic Studies Showing Potential	Demographic Study	Man.	I, M & O	10,000	7030	
	Task Force on Indian-Métis Opportunity	Sask.	I & M	15,938	27085	1970
	Original Rural Development Area Studies (Meadow Lake, Broadview, Torch River)	Sask.	I, M & O			on-going
	Several Socio-Economic Studies (Centre for Community Studies)	Sask.	I, M & O		37003	1968
	Socio-Economic Study of Census Div.12	Alta.	I, M & O	27,510	28002	1968
Occupational Training	Studies Showing Potential					
	training needs	Sask.	I, M & O	*	8122	1967
	Training					
	handicraft training	Sask.	I	*	37009	1972
	recreation workers	Sask.	I & M	*	37012	1969
	guiding	Sask.	I & M	*	27089	1972
	guiding and operating camps	Sask.	I & M	*	27098	1972
	agricultural training	Sask.	I & M	11,625	27076	1971
	co-operative and small business management	Sask.	I	92,510	37023	1972
	recreation workers	Alta.	Morley	*	38001	1971
	pasture operation and management	Alta.	Blood	*	38007	1971
	handicraft training	B. C.	'Ksan	*	39001	1972
Adult Education	Leadership Training, Information Courses on Education, Community Housing, Welfare, Provided through the Manitoba Indian Brotherhood	Man.	I	*	36009	1970
	Extension and Training Programs, Provided through the Federation of Sask. Indians	Man.	I	*	37008	1971
	Training Allowances for Educational Upgrading	Sask.	I & M	850,680	37011	1972
	Upgrading and Pre-employment Training	Sask.	I & M	900,575	27010	1972
Social Development and Adjustment	Feasibility Studies					
	relocation and adjustment	Man.	I & M	32,950	36008	1969
	methods of communication	Alta.	I & M	17,513	28069	1970
	Development of Leadership Skills					
	courses in self-government	Man.	Indian Brother-hood I & M	121,360	36009	1971
	agricultural representatives on Reserves	Alta.	Saddle Lake Blood, Peguis	49,000	38005	1971
	co-operative and shareholders	Alta.	Blackfoot	12,400	28087	1971
	Group Communication and Community Development					
	Saskatchewan Métis Association	Sask.	Métis	43,250	27074	1971
	Alberta Métis Communication Society	Alta.	Métis	21,650	28079	
	community development	Sask.	I & M	*	27010	1972
	Indian Community Development workers #	Alta.	Indian Association of Alta.	120,000	38009	1971
	Métis Community Development workers #	Alta.	Métis Association of Alta.	120,000	28077	1972
	Indian Community Development workers #	Sask.	I & M	7,750	27004	1970
	home visitor project	Alta.	I, M & O	*		1972
Counselling and Placement	Mobile Counselling Unit	Sask.	General Population	48,500	27050	1970
	Placement and Counselling	Sask.	I & M	*	27010	1972

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populations in slow-growth areas in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

3. Seven occupational training projects exist: craft training; pasture management; guiding; agricultural training; pasture management; training of recreation workers; and co-op and small business management.

4. The Department is giving heavy financial support to Indians and Métis for educational upgrading in Saskatchewan ($850,680 + $900,575) for a period up to March,1972.

5. Through ARDA, Indian organizations (Manitoba Indian Brotherhood and Federation of Saskatchewan Indians), with substantial financial support from the Department, are taking responsibility for offering extension programs to their people.

6. The Department has spent $79,950 for feasibility studies in social adjustment in Manitoba and Alberta.

7. Thirteen other ARDA social adjustment projects exist, including: development of leadership skills; group communication and community development; support of Indian community development workers; home visitors project.

8. A study to test methods of developing communication skills among Indians and Métis in Alberta was administered by ARDA, at a cost of $17,513.

9. A departmental contribution of $48,500 supported a mobile counselling unit for the general Saskatchewan population, including Indians and Métis.

10. A placement and counselling service for Indians Métis was initiated in Saskatchewan, to extend to 1972.

c) Development of Crafts and The Arts

From Table 3 the following information is evident:

In the western region five ARDA Departmental projects exit to encourage the perpetuation and development of the artistic skills and cultural expression of Indians and Métis: 'Ksan Village in B. C.; one feasibility study; handcrafting in Alberta; and artistic skill development in Saskatchewan. Some of these projects, by drawing on the knowledge and unique skills indigenous to the cultures of the Indian peoples, lead to gainful employment.

TABLE 3 CRAFTS AND THE ARTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY TYPE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE

Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept.Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
markets and production potential feasibility study	Across Canada	I	39,600	15020	1966
Artistic Skill Development	Sask.	I	75,920	37009	1972
Artistic Skill Development	B. C.	'Ksan	40,000	39001	1972
Production and Sales	B. C.	'Ksan	*	39002	1972
Handcrafting	Alta.		29,410	28084	1969

B PROJECTS UNDER THE PFRA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

ARDA and PFRA make use of marginal and sub-marginal land for pasture expansion, but in different ways. ARDA expects the Bands involved to manage their own pastures; PFRA supplies field men to manage the Band pastures. PFRA hopes that Indian Bands will take over at the end of a ten year leasing period. In addition, PFRA teaches the people to make and repair fences, trains Indians to raise their own cattle, and makes additional grazing facilities available to the surrounding communities for an ever-increasing cattle population.

The first PFRA agreement with an Indian Band for the development of a community pasture was signed in 1963. Under such an agreement, the Band leases a specified acreage to PFRA for a period of ten years with an option for renewal. As a rental the Indian Band receives one-third of the revenue collected from grazing fees. PFRA is responsible for all capital expenditures such as fencing, stock watering facilities, barns, corrals and manager's residence. (Thiessen, 1970).

In developing new agricultural enterprises PFRA has shown considerable flexibility and creativity in encouraging tree nurseries (PFRA Annual Report 68/69) and by meeting ad hoc needs in the field, like establishing potato growers co-operatives. In the latter project, recognizing the Canadian demand for good quality seed potatoes, PFRA purchased seed potatoes and fertilizer for the Band on a loan basis, leased the Band the equipment to cultivate the land and seed the

potatoes, and provided technical advice gratis.

Table 4 supplies the following information:

1. There are 3 main groups of PFRA projects for Indians: natural resource development; human resource development; and infrastructure development.

2. Natural resource development projects under the PFRA program, include: new agricultural enterprises (3 projects); clearing of land (3); and pasture expansion (13).

3. New types of PFRA agricultural enterprises are: establishment of potato growing and potato growers co-operatives; and development of tree nurseries. These involve three Indian Bands living in Saskatchewan.

4. Human resource development projects include pasture operation and management development in 13 Indian Bands living in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

5. Two infrastructure development projects took place in Saskatchewan serving two Indian Bands.

TABLE 4 PROJECTS UNDER THE PFRA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY RESOURCE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE.

Resource	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept.Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
Natural	New Enterprises					
	potato growers co-operative	Sask.	Blackfoot	15,000 (on loan) Technical Assistance		
	potato growers co-operative	Sask.	Cowesses			
	tree nurseries	Sask.	Indian Head			
	Pasture Expansion					
	pasture expansion	Sask.	Cowesses -Sakimay	178,500	-	1964
		Sask.	Ochapowace -Kahkewistahaw	138,000	-	1964
		Sask.	James Smith	184,500	-	1967
		Sask.	Chagoness	186,100	-	1968
		Sask.	White Bear	265,000	-	1970
		Sask.	Touchwood	260,000	-	1970
		Sask.	Thunderchild	278,000	-	1971
		Alta.	Louis-Bull -Ermineskin	233,050	-	1966
		Alta.	Alexander	176,000	-	1969
		Alta.	Alexis	160,000	-	1969
		Alta.	Stoney	260,000	-	1970
		Alta.	Bush	250,000	-	1969
		Alta.	Sarcee	150,000	-	1970
	Clearing of Land					
	clearing of land	Alta.	Alexander			
		Alta.	Bush			
		Alta.	Alexis			
Human	Occupational Training					
	pasture operation and management	Sask.) Alta.)	13 Bands	*	-	1971
Infra-structure Development	buildings, roads, reservoir and tile trains	Sask.	Indian Head	-	-	1969
	legal surveys of Reserve (retracement)	Sask.	White Bear	-	-	1969

C PROJECTS UNDER THE FRED PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

The Interlake FRED plan is conducting a ten year program in the rural Interlake area of northern Manitoba, for the development of natural and human resources, and infrastructure.

Table 5 which classifies the human resource development projects, shows:

1. FRED human resource projects in the west are classified into four broad types: occupational training; adult education; social adjustment; and counselling and placement.

2. FRED occupational training projects are taking place in the Interlake area and include: on-the-job training in the garment industry; manpower corps; industrial training; and resource utilization.

TABLE 5 HUMAN RESOURCE PROJECTS UNDER THE FRED PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY TYPE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROVINCE, COMPLETION DATE.

Type	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept.Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
Occupational Training	on-the-job training - garment industry (Interlake Area)	Man.	Peguis	37,500	96111	
	manpower corps (Interlake area)	Man.	I, M & O	2,700,000	96103	1977
	industrial training (Interlake area)	Man.	I, M & O	154,074	26011	1972
Adult Education	pre-vocational upgrading (Interlake area)	Man.	I, M & O	283,500	96103	1971
Social Adjustment	Community Development	Man.	I & M	*	96102	1971
Counselling and Placement	Vocational Guidance	Man.	I, M & O	256,500	96102	1971
	Vocational and Motivational Counselling	Man.	I, M & O	262,000	96102	1971

D PROJECTS UNDER THE CANADA NEWSTART PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

NewStart Corporations exist in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in the western region, and in three provinces in the eastern region. The western NewStart projects are utilized by Indians and Métis; the eastern corporations are not. This participation is explained in part by the fact that 75 percent of the Indian peoples live in the western region.

The Departmental contribution to each NewStart Corporation is approximately $1 million per annum. In its effort to reduce regional economic disparities the Department is deliberately speeding up the economic and social development of slow-growth regions. However, with the injection of new industries and new technologies into slow-growth areas, many social questions have arisen.

Canada NewStart was established as an action-research program to try to find answers to some of those questions. It is securing new knowledge, and is experimenting with new solutions to the problem of how underemployed and undereducated people can be effectively helped to gain access to new opportunities in Canada.

Since NewStart is basically a human resource development program, all projects classified in Table 6 fall into the human resource category.

From Table 6 we find:

1. NewStart projects are classified into five broad types: general socio-economic surveys; occupational development; adult basic education; social development and adjustment; counselling and placement.

2. Occupational development projects include: economic opportunity surveys; and action-research to test methods of training adults in pre-vocational skills, para-professional fields, and occupations in general.

3. Social development and adjustment projects include action research to test methods of developing: social skills; leadership skills; and home management skills.

4. Staff training programs exist in each western NewStart Corporation. Adult trainees are given counselling throughout the training period and placement efforts are made at the end of the training.

TABLE 6 HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UNDER THE NEWSTART PROGRAM* IN THE WESTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY TYPE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, COMPLETION DATE.

Type	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Completion Date
General Socio-Economic Surveys	Human Resource Study	Man.	I, M & O	1975
		Sask.	I, M & O	1971
		Alta.	I, M & O	1971
Occupational Development	Studies Showing Potential			
	economic opportunity survey	Man.	I, M & O	1975
		Sask.	I, M & O	1971
		Alta.	I, M & O	1971
	Action-Research to Test Methods of Training Adults in:			
	pre-vocational skills	Sask.	I, M & O	1971
		Alta.	I & M	1971
	para-professional fields (social work aides, teacher aides, counsellor aides)	Sask.	I, M & O	1971
	occupations (general)	Sask.	I, M & O	1971
Adult Basic Education	Action-Research to Test Teaching Methods in Adult Basic Education	Man.	The Pas & Métis	1975
		Sask.	I, M & O	1971
		Alta.	I & M	1971
Social Development & Adjustment	Action-Research to Test Methods of Social Development			
	social skills	Sask.	I & M	1971
		Alta.	I & M	1971
		Man.	1/3 I, 1/3 M 1/3 O	1975
	leadership skills	Sask.	I & M	1971
		Alta.	I & M	1971
	home management skills	Sask.	I & M	1971
		Alta.	I & M	1971
Counselling & Placement	staff training	Man.	I, M & C	1970
		Sask.	I, M & C	1970
		Alta.	I & M	1970
	Counselling in Action-Research	Man.	I, M & C	1970
		Sask.	I, M & C	1970
		Alta.	I & M	1970

* Departmental contribution for each NewStart Corporation is approximately $1 Million per annum.

E THE CANADA LAND INVENTORY PROGRAM

In addition to the programs described earlier in this report, another type of Departmental activity should be identified. Under the on-going Canada Land Inventory Program, the bulk of Canadian lands are being surveyed to discover the land capability for: agriculture, forestry, recreation; and wild life (water-fowl and ungulates) (Canada Land Inventory Brochure). In this general Canadian survey, lands on which Indians and Métis live are being surveyed as well.

II C E N T R A L R E G I O N

The Departmental projects operating in the central region that have been utilized by Indians all come under the ARDA program. Table 7 which presents a classification of these projects, shows:

1. The ARDA projects are broadly classified into natural resource development and human resource development.

2. There are seven projects, five in Ontario and two in Quebec.

3. The natural resource development projects include: infrastructure development and agricultural development (cranberry production, and pasture expansion on Manitoulin Island).

4. Human resource development projects include: socio-economic studies to determine the social, economic and human resource base of Indian communities; and occupational training in the removal of diseased elms.

TABLE 7 PROJECTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM IN THE CENTRAL REGION CLASSIFIED BY RESOURCE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE.

Resource	Project and Item	Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept.Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
Natural	Agricultural					
	development of cranberry production	Ont.	Gibson	188,000	35903	1973
	pasture expansion - Manitoulin Island	Ont.	Wikwimikong	10,000	35902	1971
		Ont.	Sheguindah	10,000	35901	1970
	Infrastructure					
	road	Qué.	Mistassini	205,000	34908	1970
Human	Socio-Economic Studies					
	social and economic characteristics possibilities for the future	Qué.	Mistassini Waswanipi	111,794	34002	1968
	social, economic and resource base of several northern Indian communities	Ont.	I	70,000	25075	1971
	Occupational Training					
	removal of diseased elms	Ont.	I	30,000	25046	1967

III E A S T E R N R E G I O N

The Departmental projects operating in the eastern region that have been utilized by Indians all come under the ARDA program. Table 8 which presents a classification of these projects, shows:

1. The ARDA projects are broadly classified into natural and human resource development.

2. There are six projects, five in New Brunswick and one in Nova Scotia. One of these, a feasibility study for an Interpretive Centre in New Brunswick is both an ARDA and FRED project.

3. Natural resource development projects consist of feasibility studies for: the harvesting and marketing of fiddleheads in New Brunswick; and for an Interpretive Centre to service the Malaseet, Micmac and other Bands in New Brunswick.

4. Human resource development projects include: the Interpretive Centre feasibility study; inter-group communication; a handicraft production feasibility study; funding of Indian communication workers in Nova Scotia.

TABLE 8 PROJECTS UNDER THE ARDA PROGRAM IN THE EASTERN REGION CLASSIFIED BY RESOURCE, AND BY PROJECT, PROVINCE, BAND, DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION, PROJECT NUMBER, COMPLETION DATE

Resource	Project and Item		Province	Indian Band or Métis	Dept.Contrib. up to completion date (in $s)	Proj. No.	Completion Date
Natural	Feasibility Study - Harvesting and Marketing Fiddleheads		N. B.	Predominantly St. Mary's	10,000	33906	1971
	Feasibility Study - Interpretive Centre		N. B.	Malaseet Micmac	*	33905	1969
Human	Feasibility Study - Interpretive Centre		N. B.	Malaseet Micmac	47,000	33905	1969
	Inter-group Communication, Union of N.B. Indians		N. B.	Micmac Malaseet	2,600	33907	1971
	Inter-group Communication	#	N. B.	Micmac Malaseet	70,000	33908	1971
	Indian Communications Workers	#	N. S.		2,500	32901	1971
	Feasibility Study - Handicraft Production for Interpretive Centre		N. B.	Micmac Malaseet	*	33905	1969

To be transferred to the Secretary of State.

IV CONCLUSIONS

The primary objective of this study was simply to describe and classify the Departmental projects which permit Indians and Métis to move into the economic and social mainstream of Canadian life. More specifically it examined projects utilized by Indians and Métis which are carried out under: the Agricultural and Rural Development Act (ARDA); Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA); Canada NewStart Program; Fund for Rural Economic Development (FRED). This was followed by a section on future Departmental plans from which Indians and Métis can benefit.

From the evidence presented earlier in this paper on projects of interest to Indians and Métis we can conclude that:

1. In the western, central and eastern regions of Canada a variety of Departmental programs and projects exist which are utilized by Indians and Métis in the development of: natural resources; human resources; crafts and the arts; and infrastructure. The programs are: ARDA; PFRA; NewStart; and FRED.

2. At least 5 dozen Indian Bands across Canada are benefitting from projects administered by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion. The range of Bands is from the Malaseet and Micmac

in New Brunswick to 'Ksan in British Columbia.

PROJECTS UNDER ARDA IN THE WESTERN REGION

3. Projects under the ARDA program in the western region include: natural resource development; human resource development; and crafts and the arts.

4. Natural resource development projects are broadly classified into three types: agricultural enterprises; recreation and tourism; and fisheries projects.

5. Agricultural projects are: feasibility studies (3); clearing of land (1); establishment of viable farms (1); irrigation (1); and pasture expansion (17).

6. The ARDA agricultural feasibility studies have taken place in Saskatchewan and are: growing and marketing of wild rice; natural resource base development on Indian reserves.

7. Nine projects exist in recreation and tourism.

8. Two feasibility studies in fisheries are being done.

9. Human resource development projects can be grouped into five main types: general socio-economic studies; occupational training; adult education; social adjustment; and counselling.

10. Two socio-economic surveys exist.

11. Seven occupational training projects include: craft-training; pasture-management; guiding; agricultural training; training of recreation workers; and co-op and small business management.

12. The Department is giving heavy financial support to Indians and Métis for educational upgrading in Saskatchewan ($850,680 + $900,575) for a period up to March, 1972.

13. Through ARDA, Indian organizations are offering extension programs to their people.

14. Fifteen ARDA social adjustment projects exist.

15. A study was done to test methods of developing communication skills among Indians and Métis in Alberta ($17,513).

16. A Departmental contribution of $48,500 supported a mobile counselling unit for the general Saskatchewan population, including Indians and Métis.

17. A placement and counselling service for Indians and Métis was initiated in Saskatchewan, to extend to 1972.

18. Five projects exist to encourage the perpetuation and development of the artistic skills and cultural expressions of Indians and Métis. Some of these lead to gainful employment.

PROJECTS UNDER THE PFRA PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

19. There are three main groups of PFRA projects serving Indians: natural resource development; human resource development; and infrastructure development.

20. Natural resource development projects under the PFRA program include: new agricultural enterprises (3); clearing of land (3); and pasture expansion (13).

21. New types of PFRA agricultural enterprises are: establishment of potato growing and potato growers co-operatives; and development of tree nurseries.

22. Human resource development projects include pasture operation and management development in thirteen Bands living in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

23. Two infrastructure development projects took place in Saskatchewan serving two Indian Bands.

PROJECTS UNDER THE FRED PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

24. The Interlake FRED plan is conducting a ten year program in the rural Interlake area of northern Manitoba, for the development of natural and human resources and infrastructure, for Indians, Métis and others.

25. Human resource projects are classified into four broad types: occupational training; adult education; social adjustment; and counselling and placement.

26. Occupational training projects include: on-the-job training in the garment industry; manpower corps; industrial training; and resource utilization.

PROJECTS UNDER THE CANADA NEWSTART PROGRAM IN THE WESTERN REGION

27. The three western NewStart programs are utilized by Indians and Métis; the three eastern ones are not.

28. NewStart's action-research projects which are all human resource development projects are classified into five broad types: general socio-economic surveys; occupational development; adult basic education; social development and adjustment; and counselling and placement.

29. Occupational development projects include: economic surveys; and action-research to test methods of training adults in pre-vocational skills, paraprofessional fields, and occupations in general.

30. Social development and adjustment projects include action-research to test methods of developing: social skills; leadership skills; and home management skills.

31. Staff training and counselling are components of NewStart projects.

CENTRAL REGION

32. Seven natural and human resources development ARDA projects are utilized by Indians in the central region; five in Ontario and two in Quebec.

33. The natural resource development projects include: infrastructure and agricultural development (cranberry production, and pasture expansion on Manitoulin Island).

34. Human resource development projects include: socio-economic surveys and occupational training in the removal of diseased elms.

EASTERN REGION

35. Six natural and human resource development ARDA projects are utilized by Indians in the eastern region; five in New Brunswick and one in Nova Scotia.

36. Natural resource development projects consist of feasibility studies for: the harvesting and marketing of fiddleheads in New Brunswick; and for an Interpretive Centre to service the Malaseet, Micmac and other Bands in New Brunswick.

37. Human resource development projects include: the Interpretive Centre feasibility study; inter-group communication; a handicraft production feasibility study; and funding of Indian communication workers in Nova Scotia.

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Primary and secondary data were collected for this survey of Departmental projects utilized by Indians and Métis. Primary data were collected by unstructured interview with several Departmental officers and field personnel. A questionnaire was instrumental in the gathering of some of the secondary data from Departmental public documents and records.

The sources of secondary data were as follows:

1. An ARDA master file entitled 'Projects on Indians, 1969' was used as a base from which to conceptually develop the classification of projects, and then to categorize all relevant Departmental projects including ARDA's.

2. NewStart Annual Plans and Budgets.

3. The Development Plan for Prince Edward Island.

4. PFRA Annual Reports.

5. Departmental News Releases prepared by the Information Services.

6. Federal-Provincial agreements in special areas.

7. The Canada Land Inventory Index

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